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Applicants: Tepman, et al.

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Title: INTEGRATED MODULAR PROCESSING PLATFORM

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PETITION AND AMENDMENT TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP UNDER RULE 1.48(a)

The correct inventors were not named in the above-mentioned application as originally filed. Petition is hereby earnestly sought to correct the inventorship of this application. Kindly amend the application to add the following inventors:

James David Strassner Joseph Arthur Kraus

The above-mentioned inventors were inadvertently omitted from this application through error without deceptive intent as attested to in accompanying statements by each of the above-named inventors. Written consent to this change from **Applied Materials, Inc.**, assignee of this application, is attached.

Also included is the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) in the amount of \$130.00. Kindly charge the entire fee, and any additional fees, as appropriate, to deposit account number <u>50-1074</u>. To facilitate that charge, a duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed herewith.

If, however, the Examiner believes that there are any unresolved issues requiring additional information from any inventor or assignee in the application, it is requested that the Examiner telephone Mr. Keith Taboada of Thomason, Moser & Patterson, LLP, telephone number (732) 530-9404, so that appropriate

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arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

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INVENTORS' STATEMENT UNDER RULE 1.48(a)

We, the undersigned, were inadvertently omitted from U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/451,628, filed November 30, 1999 entitled "INTEGRATED MODULAR PROCESSING PLATFORM" through error without deceptive intent.

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ASSIGNEE CONSENT TO CHANGE OF INVENTORSHIP UNDER RULE 1.48(a)

We, the undersigned assignee of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/451,628, filed November 30, 1999 entitled "INTEGRATED MODULAR PROCESSING PLATFORM" hereby grant our consent to the following change of inventorship in the application:

(X) Add the following named inventors:

James David Strassner Joseph Arthur Kraus

Applied Materials, Inc.

Assignee Name

JOSEPH SWEENEY,

Group Vice President and

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